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SUBJECT: REACTION TO SPANISH ABSTENTION ON CHILE HUMAN
RIGHTS RESOLUTION

1. THE NEWS OF SPAIN'S ABSTENTION ON THE UN RESOLUTION
ON HUMAN RIGHTS IN CHILE HAS DRAWN PREDICTABLE ANTI-
PATHETIC RESPONSE FROM THE LEFT ON SPAIN. THE SOCIALIST
(AND MAJOR OPPOSITION PARTY) PSOE, WHICH HAD BEEN
INTERESTED IN THE US REACTION TO THE SUBJECT (MADRID
9371), ISSUED A COMMUNIQUE DECEMBER 9 EXPRESSING
"PROTEST" AND "SURPRISE" AT THE SPANISH POSITION. SIMILAR
FAIRLY LOW KEY GRUMBLING FROM THE LEFT HAS TAKEN PLACE
SUBSEQUENTLY. PRESUMABLY, FOREIGN MINISTER OREJA WILL
BE SHARPLY INTERPELLATED ABOUT IT IN HIS UPCOMING
MEETING WITH THE CONGRESS' FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE,
AND THERE SHOULD BE FURTHER PUBLIC COMMENT AS
INFORMATION IS LEAKED FOLLOWING THE SUPPOSEDLY SECRET
SESSION. BUT ALL IN ALL OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT THE
PSOE HAS NOT BEEN ANXIOUS TO TURN THIS INTO A MAJOR
POLITICAL ISSUE.

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2. THE FOREIGN MINISTRY'S CHIEF FOR UN AFFAIRS (ARTACHO)
TOLD US DECEMBER 14 THAT HE CONSIDERED THE REACTION
"PREDICTABLE", NOTING THAT THE LEFT'S POSITION WAS
WELL KNOWN. HE EXPECTED NO PARTICULAR IMPACT ON
THE GOS STAND AS A RESULT OF THE REACTION, AND POINTED
OUT--AS THE PRESS COVERAGE HERE DID NOT--THAT SPAIN HAD
NOT BEEN OUT OF STEP WITH A GOOD MANY LATIN AMERICAN

AND ARAB COUNTRIES IN THE VOTE. STABLER

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